

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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VACANT POSTS OF TEACHERS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the most serious problems being faced by the Elementary Education Sector, in most of the educationally backward States, is the filling up of vacant posts of teachers and appointments of additional teachers;
- (b) if so, whether the issue has been discussed with the State Governments; and
- (c) if so, the outcome thereof and follow-up action taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYASINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL)

(a) to (c): Filling up of vacant posts of teachers and appointments of additional teachers is primarily the responsibility of State Governments and UT administrations. However, the Central government under the scheme of Operation Blackboard provides financial assistance to the State Government for appointment of third teacher in primary Schools where enrolment exceeds 100 and additional teachers in upper primary schools on the basis of proposals received from them. Additional teachers are also provided under the District Primary education Programme when new schools are opened or when there is increased enrolment. There is constant interaction with the State Governments and resultantly there has been considerable progress in the appointment of teachers. The expenditure towards the payment of salaries of teachers under Operation Blackboard has gone up from Rs. 98.75 Crores in 1997-98 to 286.40 Crores in 1999-2000.